GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Servants - Appeal - Sri B.Audiseshaiah, former Tahsildar, Venkatagiri (M) and presently working as DAO, O/o RDO, Sullurepeta, - Disciplinary proceedings initiated on the allegations of making irregular mutations in web land and carried changes without verification of connected records - Inquiry Officer appointed - Inquiry report submitted - punishment of "Reduction in Rank to Deputy Tahsildar" imposed - Appeal filed - Admitted - Revoke the punishment orders - Impose a punishment of 'withholding of two annual grade increments without cumulative effect' - Orders - Issued.

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REVENUE (VIGILANCE.III) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.979

Dated:25.10.2023

Read the following:

1. CCLA's Proceedings No.V.S-II(2)/716/2021, Dt:03.12.2021
2. CCLA's prcgs ref.no: VS.II(1)/716/2021(e.1570307), dt: 19/05/2023
3. Appeal petition dt:20.07.2023 of Sri B.Audiseshaiah, former Tahsildar, Venkatagiri (M) and presently working as DAO, O/o RDO, Sullurepeta.
4. Memo.No.REV01-LANA0CCLV(DISC)/54/2023-Vig.III(2), Dt:23.08.2023
5. Memo.No.REV01-LANA0CCLV(DISC)/54/2023-Vig.III(2)-2, Dt:11.10.2023

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ORDER:

Whereas, it was brought to the notice of the Government that in the reference 1st read above disciplinary proceedings were instituted against Sri B.Audiseshaiah, former Tahsildar, Venkatagiri (M) on the allegation of committing certain irregular mutations in web land and carried changes without verification of connected records and valid documents against Govt. lands and has done mutations in adangal module instead of mutation cum pattadar pass book module etc.,. After following the due procedure under A.P.C.S (CC&A) Rules, 1991, as the allegations are held proved against Sri B.Audiseshaiah, former Tahsildar, Venkatagiri (M), the Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, A.P. issued orders imposing a major penalty of "Reduction in Rank to Deputy Tahsildar" against him, vide reference 2nd read above.

2. Aggrieved by the above orders issued by the Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, A.P., Sri B.Audiseshaiah, former Tahsildar, has filed an appeal petition before the Government, stating that the orders issued by the CCLA & Spl.CS are not justified in the circumstances of his case and liable to be set aside. The Disciplinary authority failed to consider the fact that while working as Tahsildar, Balayapally, he was kept incharge of the post of Tahsildar, Venkatagiri from 07.06.2020 to 20.11.2020. As such, he was very busy in looking after day to day administration in two mandals and also there was lot of work pressure due to implementation of all Govt schemes especially Navarathnalu, allotment of land to Village Secretariats, RBKs, Distribution of house sites, Korona related works in two Mandals etc,. As such, he relied on the report of the MRI, Surveyor and VROS and also scrutiny and recommendations of the Deputy Tahsildar concerned. Except that he has not made any mistake and acted in good faith on the subordinate staff without any malafide intention. The punishment of Reduction of Rank to Deputy Tahsildar imposed on him is highly disproportionate to the alleged irregularity committed by him out of ignorance and believing the Subordinate staff in good faith.

3. In the reference 4th read above, while sending a copy of the appeal petition, the Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, A.P was requested to examine the contents of the appeal petition filed by Sri B.Audiseshaiah, former Tahsildar, Venkatagiri (M) and furnish a report along with specific remarks and connected records to take further action in the matter. Accordingly, the Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, A.P., Mangalagiri, has submitted the connected records and stated that the orders issued by CCLA & Special C.S. is self explanatory. The appellant

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has been given an opportunity of personal hearing to put forth his contentions before the appellate authority and personal hearing was held on 16.10.2023.

4. Government, after careful examination of the entire record and after heard the pleadings of the Officer, allowed the appeal and it is opined that the punishment of reversal to lower rank appears to be excessive. Hence, it is decided to impose a punishment of stoppage of two increments without cumulative effect against him as he is on the verge of retirement.

5. Accordingly, Government have hereby revoke the punishment of Reduction in Rank to Deputy Tahsildar imposed by the CCLA in reference 2nd read above against Sri B.Audiseshaiah, former Tahsildar, Venkatagiri (M) and presently working as DAO, O/o RDO, Sullurepeta, duly imposing a punishment of "withholding of two annual grade increments without cumulative effect' against him, under Rule 37 r/w Rule 9 of A.P.C.S (CC&A), Rules,1991.

6. The Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, A.P., Mangalagiri shall take necessary further action accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

G. SAI PRASAD
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (FAC)

To:

Sri B.Audiseshaiah, former Tahsildar, Venkatagiri (M) and presently working as DAO, O/o RDO, Sullurepeta (M) ***through*** the Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, A.P., Mangalagiri.

The Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, A.P., Mangalagiri.

Copy to:

The Collector & District Magistrate, SPSR Nellore District,
The Collector & District Magistrate, Tirupati District.
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SECTION OFFICER